

CITY OF MARION -- REGULAR MEETING

November 28, 2016

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers at City Hall November 28, 2016. Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER.

ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of the November 14, 2016 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

ORDINANCE 3359 -- AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE CITY OF MARION, ILLINOIS FOR FY 2016. Treasurer Steve Hale told the Council the Levy of Taxes is payable in 2017. The assessment for \$100.00 will be going from \$.50 to \$.58 per \$100.00. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Ordinance 3359 as presented with Commissioner Hightower seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Hightower made a motion for the Council to approve a \$1,000.00 donation to Special Olympics Lightning Bolts team in care of Rich Henley, Sponsor. Mr. Henley and three of the Lightning Bolts team members were present at the November meeting to speak about their team but since it wasn't an agenda item the donation could not be formally approved at that meeting. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the 50% discount of fees at the Pavilion for Local Chapter of Fraternal Order of Police to hold the Police Gala fundraiser March 18, 2017 to raise funds for "Cops with Kids" and other charities sponsored the Williamson County Chapter of F.O.P. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve re-establishing the position of Assistant Lead man in the Water Department and to increase the hourly rate by \$.50 per hour. Commissioner Rinella told the Council the Water Department is obligating more and more Water Department employees for other jobs such as fiber optics, etc., so it necessary to have more lead personnel. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve promoting Clifford Hogue, Jr. to Assistant Lead Man, retroactive to November 14, 2016 in the Water Department. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve increasing the pay rate of the Chief Operator Position in the Water Department by \$1.00 per hour. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve promoting Tyler Smith to Chief Operator Position retroactive to November 14, 2016 – Water Department. City Administrator Gail West stated Local Union 773 is aware of these changes and approves. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3360 – ORDINANCE APPROVING ESCROW OF FIRE INSURANCE PROCEEDS. Fire Chief Jerry Odum told the Council Ordinance 3360 is being proactive to give the City leverage to where the City can retain 10% of the insurance proceeds until the damaged property is properly repaired. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve Ordinance 3360 as presented Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss stated Matt Throgmorton is now running Byassee Keyboard located at 521 West Main Street. Mr. Throgmorton has plans to replace the entire store front, replace front entry area along with the front windows. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the \$10,000.00 Downtown Restoration loan to Matt Throgmorton. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

City Administrator Gail West stated the Marion Cultural and Civic Center is in need of a part time janitor and recommended Austin Yates as a part-time employee at \$9.00 per hour. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve Austin Yates as a part-time janitor at \$9.00 per hour. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Hub General Manager Chris Georgantas asked the Council to approve the following two part-time employees for the Hub Recreation Center:

Jennifer Rodrigues as part-time Fitness Instructor at \$15.00 per hour.

Casey Van Dyke re-employment as Lifeguard at \$9.50 per hour.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the two above named part-time employees. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA

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Hub General Manager Chris Georgantas presented the revised Aquatic Coordinator job description and asked the Council to approve the revised Aquatic Coordinator job description and to approve Jared King as the Aquatics Coordinator at \$18.00 per hour with a forty hour week. The position is non-exempt. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the Revised Aquatic Coordinator job description and also to approve Jared King as the Aquatics Coordinator at \$18.00 per hour with a 40 forty hour week – non-exempt. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Hub General Manager Chris Georgantas recommended Nick Raubach as Pool Operator – Part-time ten hours a week at \$12.00 per hour. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve Nick Raubach as a part-time pool operator, ten hours per week at \$12.00 per hour. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

City Administrator Gail West explained to the Council the Governmental Consulting Services two-year agreement expires as of November 30, 2016. It will renew at the same price for a two-year agreement beginning December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2018. Governmental Consulting Services, located in Springfield, Illinois, is a lobbying agency which has done much good for the City of Marion. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the Governmental Consulting Services Agreement with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Dane Castellano had submitted to the Code Enforcement Department for a Special Use Permit to allow apartments in a Commercial Zone on a lot located at 919 East Main Street. At a Zoning Board Meeting that was announced to the public as per requirements, the Zoning Board requested the Special Use Permit be approved by the Council. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve the Special Use Permit for 919 East Main Street, Dane Castellano, Owner. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB, AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to pay the monthly bills as funds become available. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve and pay the Consent Agenda dated November 28, 2016 as funds become available. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS ND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

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7:00 P.M.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel matter. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

8:30 P.M.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to go out of Executive session and to resume the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTWOER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

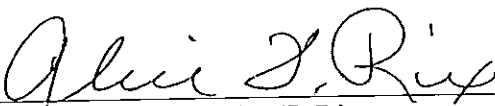
Commissioner Webb made a motion to deny the Grievance and that the matter being grieved is controlled by City policy. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED NO, COMMISSIONER HIGHTOWER VOTED NO, COMMISSIONERS WEBB AND GOSS VOTED YEA AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA. MOTION CARRIED.


Commissioner Hightower made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.



City Clerk Alice F. Rix
Attested: 12-13-16



Mayor Robert L. Butler